

In re: Klein et al.
Application No.: 10/792,339
Filed: March 3, 2004
Page 5

REMARKS

Applicants hereby request further consideration of the application in view of the amendments above and the comments that follow.

More specifically, Applicants appreciate the indication that Claims 18-22 are allowable, and that Claims 10, 13 and 15-17 are objected to, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent format to include the recitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. *See* Office Action, pages 4 and 5.

In an effort to expedite allowance of the present application, Applicants have canceled Claim 7, without prejudice, and Claim 10 has been canceled in order to incorporate the recitations of Claim 10 into Claim 8. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that pending Claims 8, 9 and 11-22 are in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any matters outstanding of resolution, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at 919-854-1400 for expeditious handling.

Respectfully submitted,




Shawna Cannon Lemon
Registration No.: 53,888

USPTO Customer No. 20792
Myers Bigel Sibley & Sajovec
Post Office Box 37428
Raleigh, North Carolina 27627
Telephone: 919/854-1400
Facsimile: 919/854-1401

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted via the Office electronic filing system in accordance with § 1.6(a)(4) to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 12, 2008.



Betty-Lou Rosser
Date of Signature: November 12, 2008